

**November 30 – December 3, 2015**  
**Kentucky Waterfowl Ground Counts**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Species Composition</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Ballard WMA	54,350 Duck 320 Canada 3840 WF Goose	82% Mallards, 11% Gadwalls, 3 % Wigeon, 1 % GWT	Excellent water conditions. We will experience some flooding on Ballard with the river going to 41 at Cario on the 7 <sup>th</sup> . That will make most of our flood timber go to full pool.
Barren River Lake	7500 Ducks 135 Canada geese	70% Diver High diversity- 50% redheads, 20% scaup, 30% bufflehead/ringnecks/3 scooters species/canvasbacks/goldeneye/ruddy- 30% Dabblers- 50% mallards/25% gadwalls/25%black ducks and 100s loons/grebes/coots/mergansers throught the lake	Very Wet, rained last few days with 1.2 inches during the last 24 hrs alone, Long Creek area 50-100% some water control structures got clogged and we cleared them today, Peters Creek 100%
Birdsville Island	No count		
Kentucky/Barkley Lakes	No Count		
Duck Island	6200 ducks 225 Canada Geese	95% mallards. Other 5% mix of GWT, ringneck, pintail, ruddy, gadwall, wigeon and shoveler.	Water levels ideal to slightly high in central and south impoundment. 57 acres of total water surface in central impoundment. 29 acres of that <12 inches in depth with balance of acreage > 12 inches. ~15 acres of water surface in south impoundment. Lake level up from recent rainfall. Fairly heavy flow through

			the lake at this time. Level at Barkley dam 355.9. Normal winter pool is 354.
Boatwright WMA	4276 Ducks 30 Canada Goose	90% Mallard	Excellent water conditions. Some major flooding will occur which will do damage to a lot of the resting area moist soils.
Doug Travis WMA	650 ducks	85% mallards, 10% wood ducks, 5% mixed dabblers	Wells are turned off due to flooding from Mississippi river, Currently hard to get accurate count from ground due to flooding
Cave Run Lake	113 Ducks 150 Canada Geese	50% mallards, 10% goldeneye, 10% gadwall. 30% Mergansers	Still few birds around at this point. Most geese feeding off the lake
Clear Creek WMA	No Count		Good water, some good moist soil. Should provide good opening day prospects.
Peabody WMA	110 ducks 92 Canada Geese 20 Coots	90% mallards, 10% teal and ring-necks	Shallow water impoundments are full, river bottoms and low-lying areas are flooded
Sloughs WMA	7660 ducks 473 Canada geese 5750 W-F geese 7000 Snow geese	85% mallards, 15% gadwall, green-winged teal, wigeon, shovelors, pintails, and ring-necks.	Nearly 90% of ducks observed were concentrated along the Pond Creek wetland complex. Significant rainfall over the past few weeks has allowed the main channel of Pond Creek to spread out across adjacent low lying areas, creating excellent waterfowl

			habitat. Additionally, most moist soil units on the area are near full capacity. Snow geese and white-front geese have been feeding heavily on winter wheat fields planted throughout the refuge.
Yellowbank WMA	340 ducks	65% mallards, wood duck, gadwall, wigeon, black duck	Water level on most units over 2/3 capacity.
Blue Grass Army Depot (all lakes and ponds)	1054 ducks 6 Canada Geese	<b>925 Redheads, 75 mallards, 18 Blacks, 12 Buffleheads, 8 Gadwalls, 5 Ringnecks, 2 shovelers, 9 grebes</b>	High water levels on all ponds. Moist Soil Unit at 3/4 pool.
Herrington Lake	No Count		
Taylorsville Lake	No Count		
Cedar Cr./Dix R. WMA	No Count		
Green River WMA	No Count		